

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
EXECUTIVE COMMISSION
MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
NO. 1

The general public is requested to take note of the following important pointers for their information and guidance:

1. *Bow to the sentry on duty.*—It is a beautiful native custom of Filipinos and other Oriental peoples to give due respect to constituted authorities, their elders, or their superiors. The sentry constituted authority representing either the Army or the Navy which protects the people. Do not fail to bow to the sentry on duty. Remove your hat and if you have a cigar or a cigarette in your mouth, remove it also, before you bow to him.
2. *Observe the curfew.*—The curfew is a sound police measure. It is intended to insure tranquillity of sleeping hours and as a precaution to maintain peace and order during times of emergency. Be sure to observe it. Curfew in Manila starts at 12 midnight and lasts until 6 in the morning. Do not go out into the streets during curfew, but if you must, as in cases of emergency, carry a lighted lamp with you to be sure that you are not taken for a suspicious character.
3. *Carry your residence, tax certificate.*—It is a good rule to have always in one's possession certain identification papers which are often necessary in official as well as in private transactions. You should therefore have with you your residence tax certificate at all times. You can never tell when an emergency may arise and it may become necessary to identify yourself as a peaceful citizen.
4. *Avoid speaking or talking about the war* — Every citizen should help maintain peace and order. The spreading of false rumors cannot help in the upbuilding of the Philippines. In fact, it is a crime calling for severe penalties because it seeks to deceive the public and to prejudice public interest. Avoid speaking or talking about the war, and do not be led into spreading any rumor or news which has anything to do with the war efforts of the combatants in the war.
5. *Watch for Military orders, etc*—Every order of the Japanese Military Administration affecting the people is issued in the best interests of the people. Read all the posters of the Japanese Military Administration as well as the daily papers, so that you may be well informed of the new orders, rules and regulations that are issued from time to time. A well informed citizen avoids misunderstanding. On the other hand, ignorance of the law excuses no one.
6. *Help build the New Philippines.*—The Japanese Military Administration has the welfare of the Filipino people at heart. As a good Filipino, you should do everything to make the new Philippines what it ought to be—a worthy Member of the Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere.

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Notice to the Public No. 2
HOW TO MAKE, HOIST AND HANDLE THE
JAPANESE FLAG

One of the glorious traditions that weld a nation and a people together is the respect and the reverence in which the national flag is held. For the flag symbolizes the life of the people; it embodies in itself something of their history and their soul.

The Filipino people have in the Flag of the Rising Sun not only the symbol but the guarantee of the able protection and benevolent guidance of the mighty Empire of Japan. It is only proper, therefore, that the public should understand the use of the Flag of the Rising Sun so that no acts of disrespect and irreverence may be committed in the handling of this sacred emblem.

For the information and guidance of the public, the following instructions are given on how to make, hoist and handle the Japanese Flag:

I. *How to Make the Flag of the Rising Sun*—

The correct form of the flag shall be as follows:

1. The height shall be 70, when the width is 100.
2. The diameter of the crimson disk near the center of the flag shall be $\frac{3}{5}$ of the height.
3. The center of the disk shall be nearer to the flag pole by $\frac{1}{100}$ of the width than the center of the flag.
4. The white spaces above and below the disk shall be equal.

II. *How to Hoist the Flag of the Rising Sun*— The Flag of the Rising Sun shall be hoisted at a conspicuous place at the entrance of the office or of the house.

III. *How to Handle the Flag of the Rising Sun*— The Flag of the Rising Sun is the symbol of the Empire of Japan. Care should, therefore, be taken that no acts of irreverence are committed in the handling of the Flag of the Rising Sun, as it is considered to be a sacred object.

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Notice to the Public No. 3
HOW THE “KIMIGAYO” SHOULD BE SUNG
OR PLAYED

The “Kimigayo,” the national anthem of Japan, should be sung or played with dignity, and the general public should be careful not to commit any act of disrespect in singing or in hearing it. They are, therefore, enjoined, for their information and guidance, to observe the following instructions:

1. The “Kimigayo” is sung or played only on formal occasions, during ceremonies or rites national holidays or during national functions.
2. The “Kimigayo” must be sung, or played in a dignified manner.
3. Generally, the “Kimigayo” is sung or through twice. However, it is permitted to dispense with the repetition.
4. Where there are many people who can join the singing, the “Kimigayo” should be sung in unison.

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